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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. **352**

File No. 220

Cal. No. 145

***"AN ACT EXTENDING THE MORATORIUM ON APPROVAL OF
PROGRAMS OF INDEPENDENT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
EDUCATION."***

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Subsection (l) of section 10a-34 of the 2018 supplement to
4 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
5 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2018*):

6 (l) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (b) to (j),
7 inclusive, of this section and subject to the authority of the State Board
8 of Education to regulate teacher education programs, new programs of
9 higher learning and program modifications proposed by an
10 independent institution of higher education [, as defined in section
11 10a-173,] shall not be subject to approval by the Office of Higher
12 Education, [until July 1, 2018,] provided (1) the institution maintains
13 eligibility to participate in financial aid programs governed by Title IV,

14 Part B of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended from time to
15 time, (2) the United States Department of Education has not
16 determined that the institution has a financial responsibility score that
17 is less than 1.5 for the most recent fiscal year for which the data
18 necessary for determining the score is available, and (3) the institution
19 has been located in the state and accredited as a degree-granting
20 institution in good standing for ten years or more by a regional
21 accrediting association recognized by the Secretary of the United States
22 Department of Education and maintains such accreditation status. All
23 institutions that are exempt from program approval by the Office of
24 Higher Education under this subsection shall file with [said] the office
25 not later than July first, and annually thereafter, (A) a list and brief
26 description of any new programs of higher learning introduced by the
27 institution in the preceding academic year and any existing programs
28 of higher learning discontinued by the institution in the preceding
29 academic year, (B) the institution's current program approval process,
30 and (C) the institution's financial responsibility composite score, as
31 determined by the United States Department of Education, for the
32 most recent fiscal year for which the data necessary for determining
33 the score is available."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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| Section 1 | <i>July 1, 2018</i> | 10a-34(l) |
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